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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**  
**-- EXPEDITED PROCEDURE --**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 2654**

METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR THE SYSTEMATIC ADAPTATION OF  
CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS FROM SPARSE ADAPTATION DATA  
Application No. 09/931,316  
Examiner M. Lerner  
Art Unit 2654

Amendment Transmittal  
Amendment After Final

YOR920010425US1  
(590.072)

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*Amendment Transmittal*

Atty. Docket No. YOR920010425US1  
(590.072)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Chaudhari et al.  
Serial No. : 09/931,316 Examiner : M. Lerner  
Filed : August 16, 2001 Group Art Unit : 2654  
For : METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR THE SYSTEMATIC  
ADAPTATION OF CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS FROM SPARSE  
ADAPTATION DATA

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

1.  Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.

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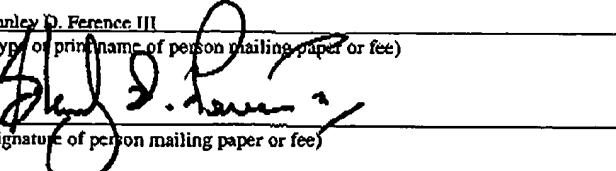
2.  In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

3.  Small Entity status of this application has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

4.  A verified statement to establish Small Entity status is enclosed.

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being facsimile transmitted on (703) 872-9306 on July 14, 2005 to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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5.  Also enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

6.  No additional filing fee is required.

7.  The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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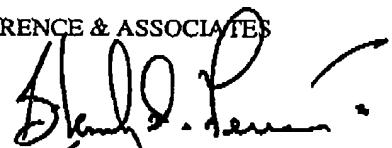
8.  Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee.

9.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$\_\_\_\_\_ filing fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

10.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,

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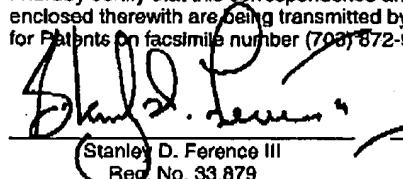
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

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Stanley D. Ference III  
Reg. No. 33,879July 14, 2005  
Date of Signature

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 14, 2005, please amend the above-  
identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.